

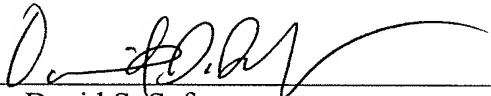
REMARKS

By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended to correspond to claim 2 rewritten in allowable independent form with those claims that had been dependent upon claim 2 being amended to now depend from claim 1. Additionally, claim 3 has been rewritten in independent form. In view of the Examiner's indication that claims 2-8 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form this application should now be in condition for allowance and thus entry of this amendment is in order in accordance with 37 CFR 1.116.

While this application should now be in condition for allowance, in the event that any issues should remain after consideration of this response which could be addressed through discussions with the undersigned, then the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned by telephone for that purpose.

Lastly, accompanying this response is a request for extension of time petition and authorization to charge same to the deposit account of the undersigned's firm. However, should this extension of time petition become separated from this Amendment, then it is requested that this Amendment be construed as containing such a petition and the fee therefore should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2478(742114-14).

Respectfully submitted,

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